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Claim 4, line 1: Delete "any preceding claim" and insert -- claim 1--.
Claim 5, line 1: Delete "A" and insert -- The--.
Claim 6, line 1: Delete "A" and insert -- The--.
Claim 7, line 1: Delete "A" and insert -- The--.
Claim 8, line 1: Delete "A" and insert -- The--.
Claim 9, line 1: Delete "A" and insert -- The--.
Claim 9, line 1: Delete "or claim 2".
Claim 10, line 1: Rewrite "Nucleic acid" as -- A nucleic acid--.
Claim 10, lines 1-2: Delete "any preceding claim" and insert --claim 1--.
Claim 13, lines 1-2: Delete "any of claims 1 to 9" and insert -- claim 1--.
Claim 14, line 1: Delete "A" and insert -- The--.
Claim 16, line 2: Delete "any one of claims 1 to 9 or claim 15" and insert --claim 1--.
Claim 17, line 1: Delete "A" and insert -- The--.
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Claim 19, line 1: Delete "A" and insert -- The--.

Claim 19, lines 1-2: Delete "any one of claims 1 to 9 or claim 15" and insert --claim 1--.

Please cancel claims 15 and 18, without prejudice.

Please add the following new claims 20-24:

- 20. The conjugate according to claim 7, wherein the second region is a histone protein.
- 21. The conjugate according to claim 2, wherein the second region comprises an NOI.
 - 22. A conjugate prepared by a method comprising the steps:
- (i) culturing a host cell according to claim 12 under conditions which provide for the expression of the conjugate within the host cell; and
 - (ii) recovering the conjugate by affinity purification under non-denaturing conditions.
- 23. The conjugate prepared according to claim 22, wherein the conjugate comprises an amino acid tail that binds to an immobilised substrate.
- 24. A method for the treatment or prevention of a condition selected from the group consisting of cancer, genetic disease, bacterial infection and viral infection, said method comprising administering an effective amount of a conjugate of claim 1 to a person or animal in need of such treatment, wherein the second region of the conjugate comprises a moiety useful intreating or preventing said condition.

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